

Dangers of Delay.

A FLAGMAN upon the New York Central Road delayed—the express rushed on and a score of lives were lost.

A NURSE GIRL neglected the child in Central Park and the little one was drowned.

A FATHER was so busy he had no time to think of himself, and common symptoms ran into a fatal disease.

A MOTHER was absorbed by her children that she did not notice her own danger until it was late.

A MILLION people neglect and delay, when, if they only realized their whole happiness and very lives are at stake.

A PAIN in the back, Lassitude, Melancholy, Faintness, Irritability, Restlessness, all indicate serious kidney difficulty.

A HEADACHE, Coated Tongue, Irregularities, Cold Feet, Weak Pulse, Constipation; immediately prove deranged kidneys or liver.

A DELAY or neglect at such a time may mean everything, may mean life or death.

A PROMPT use of the only standard remedy for such troubles, Warner's Safe Cure, is the part of wisdom.

"A WORD to the wise is sufficient." Are you one who can accept a timely suggestion and hence avoid mis-

Consequences of Neglect?

CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT.

1641—Contest between Charles I and the English parliament, ending in civil war.

1648—Congress of Holland recognized by all the European powers.

1649—The Royal parliament ended the trial of Charles I. House of peers abolished.

1650—The convention parliament restored Charles II.

1670—Habeas corpus act passed by English parliament.

1694—An act for trial by juries passed after much controversy.

1701—The first parliament of Great Britain assembled.

1707—Last meeting of the parliament of Scotland, Scotland never had a house of commons.

1716—Report of the triennial act and a septennial act passed.

1732—Journals of the English house ordered to be published regularly.

1751—The colonial congress at Albany to confederate the American colonies.

1765—A colonial congress at New York to oppose the stamp act.

1771—Reporting the debates of the English house permitted under restrictions.

1771—Parliament of Paris suppressed by Louis XV. Restored in 1774 by Louis XVI.

1773—American congress met Sept. 5 in Philadelphia. In session until December, 1776.

1775—The Mecklenburg declaration of independence made in North Carolina.

1776—The Declaration of Independence adopted and signed by members of congress.

1776—Constituted in Baltimore Dec. 20. In session until March, 1777.

1777—Congress met in Philadelphia March 1. In session until September.

1777—Congress met at Lancaster, Pa. In session from Sept. 27 to Oct. 30.

1777—Congress met in York, Pa., Sept. 30. In session until July, 1778.

1778—Congress met in Philadelphia July 2. Remained in Philadelphia until 1782.

1783—Congress met in Princeton, N.J., June 30.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

THEY'RE GRADUATED.

The First Midwinter Commencement of the High School.

PRETTY GIRLS IN WHITE DRESSES.

Short Essays Read by the Graduating Class—A Big Audience Present.

The stage, parquetry and balcony of the Grand opera house was packed last night with high school pupils, their parents and mammas, cousins and aunts, friends and teachers, and a large number of interested citizens. The occasion was the first midwinter graduation of the Topeka high school. All previous graduations have been held in the day.

The January blizzard did not prevent the girl graduates from appearing in the regulation white dresses, suggestive of ice cream and palm leaf fans, however. The house was over-heated, and palms and lilies were arranged on the stage with a tropical effect that has not been equaled since the appearance of Fanny Davenport.

The class motto, "Palm non sine pulvere," composed of evergreen boughs, was suspended from the front of the presentation. It means: "The palm not without the dust." This does not intend to convey the mercenary idea that you can't get anything without "the dust," but is an ancient Roman law-exacting phrase, that the chariot racers couldn't win the palms which were given to the victors without going through the dust of the race-track.

The board of education occupied the lower boxes on the right. Those present were: R. B. Welch and Mrs. Welch, T. A. Beck and Mrs. Beck, Jessie Shaw and Mrs. Shaw, J. H. Squires and Mrs. Squires, Dr. Westerfield and Mrs. Westerfield, Rev. J. E. Thomas, William MacFerran and Mrs. MacFerran, J. W. Peiffer and Mrs. Wilson, Sam Miller,

The academic robes were occupied by the faculty of the high school. Above the faculty and the school board, in the upper boxes, was the class that will graduate next summer, 45 boys and girls.

Sergeant Scamps—Hello, Fairy! You look all similar spruced up.

Fairy Ladies—Yes. Gotter job is to coal yard.

Sergeant Scamps—Heavenly! You're ain't what's wanted.

Fairy Ladies—Not exactly. I sit on th' wagon while the coal's gittin' weighed.

Pack—What's wanted?

Sergeant Scamps—It's a large troupe of high school girls. A good representation of the public school teachers and a great many pupils that will enter the high school Monday, filled up what space the graduates did not leave.

Teek's orchestra, a little bothered than usual, gave two selections and Rev. Dr. Emery in the invocation asked that the ambitions of the graduates should be directed aright.

Elizabeth Lee, the Hutchinson, by far the best of her class standing, stepped forward and addressed the audience in a few well-chosen words and then paid tribute to Rosalia Lee, the great Topeka pianist.

Laura E. Campbell's essay on John Quincy Adams was a character study of Quincy's great life. She reviewed his various experiences and showed him to be one of the most noble characters in history.

Charles David DeFranz, one of the few colored young men who go through the 4-year course, delivered a thoughtful oration on "An Unseen Problem."

It was the race problem. He told the colored citizens of the south asked for protection and just recognition at the hands of justice. "When this is done the government shall have done its part and the rest depends on the colored citizens themselves."

The high school chorus, under the direction of Professor Culver, sang "Gospel Chorus." The chorus was well trained and sang creditably.

The singer of Miss Bertha Kemp's essay was "The Search After Truth." This search, she said, was everlasting.

Bianchi Grottoe West read a thoughtful essay on "Idealism." She said that Shakespeare's Hugo Infested society, politics and business. She spoke especially of the society life.

"Now, you var, you a cootin'," said Schwab, "I see dot to your eye. Yet you gin it up, I thought you would. I a-been, um dimps or somethin' I vog more as a hundred beans. I bees a Cherman. Haw, haw, haw."

Power of Passion.

Ardent Lover—Do not turn from me, Mabel. Something seems to tell me we were born for each other. In the eloquent glance of your eye, the flitting blinds that enclose your heart and cheek and in the tones of your voice, I am sometimes led to believe my nature, like to its surroundings, is more sympathetic than vibrant in motion when love touches the heartstrings, and the chambers of the soul resound with the melody it awakes. Deep responds to deep, Unhired by the cold world, the thrilling music pulsates from heart to heart, and the lisping angels lead down to hear love's immortal symphony. Mabel, dearest, Mabel, does not your own heart's answering thrill bid you to awaken to my plea and make me the hapless of mortals?

Girl of the Period—Give whiz!—Chicago Tribune.

A Tribute to Beethoven.

"I'm afraid you're not enroking yourself, said the Boston hostess to her guest, Mrs. Snodgrass, as the orchestra finished the second movement of the symphony they had come to hear.

"Oh, yes," said Mrs. Suddebnach amiably. "I shall enjoy immensely as soon as they quit tuning up and begin playing."—Chicago Record.

Plenty of Bills.

Burglar (gruffly)—Your money or your life!

Jones (cheekily)—You'll find some bills in the drawer there. They are all in but the bushes. I might send you some.

Husband—Good night, wife.

Wife—No, but today when the gas collector called he saw it.—Life.

The Proper Thing.

"If you should fall heir to a large fortune, what would you do first?"

"Stop doing anything"—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Sic Transi Gloria.

House in the Suburbies.

Lovely lawn.

Dog on the premises.

Yards from down.

II.

Neighbor next door.

Nervous man.

Listened to racket.

All said—

III.

Neighbor bought pistol.

Mosquito night.

Credit to front gate.

Down a sight.

IV.

Sees a quiet time.

He sees a trigger.

Dog like a mouse.

Iron lay figure.

—Washington News.

Embarrassing.

Mark Twain tells thus the story of his first great London banquet, at which, by the way, there were \$30 or \$40 guests. He admits that, not having been used to that kind of dinner, he felt somewhat lonesome.

The live mayor or somebody read out a list of the chief guests before we began to eat. When he came to prominent names, the other guests would applaud.

I found the man next me rather a good talker. Just as we got up an interesting subject there was a tremendous clapping of hands. I had hardly ever heard such applause before. I straightened up and set to clapping with the rest, and noticed a good many people round about me fixing their attention on me and some of them laughing in a friendly and encouraging way. I moved about in my chair and clapped louder than ever.

"Who is it?" I asked the gentleman on my right.

"Samuel Clemens, better known in Eng-

land as Mark Twain," he replied.

I stopped clapping. The life seemed to go out of me. I never was in such a fix in all my days.—*Youth's Companion.*

A Suitable Position.



SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES.

At the United Presbyterian church tomorrow Rev. M. F. McKittrick will preach at 11 o'clock on "Remember Me," and at 7:30 on "A Man of Rest."

Church of Christ, Scientist, 210 West Sixth street. Services at 11 a. m. conducted by the pastor, Willis F. Gross. Subject of sermon, "Reasonable Expectation."

First Universalist church, 422 Kansas avenue, Topeka Post hall. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by Rev. Sarah M. Barnes of Junction City. Morning topic, "The Way to Find God." Evening topic, "What Think Ye of Christ?"

United Brethren church, Services at the Ladies' Library Hall, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets on Kansas Avenue; 11 a. m. sermon by Rev. W. H. Huffman; 7:30 p. m. sermon by the pastor; Monday, 7:30 p. m., preaching by Bishop J. W. Holt, D. D., Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Tuesday 7:30, preaching by the Bishop.

North Topeka Baptist church, corner Laurent and Harrison streets, Rev. W. C. Hartelius, pastor. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "The Bible a Microscope and Telescope." Service of song in the evening, followed by sermon on "The Man that Died for Me."

Wesleyan Methodist church, corner Third and Jefferson streets. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor, Rev. J. H. Meek. General Holiness meeting at 8 p. m.

Spiritualism. There will be the usual conference meeting at the hall, 329 Kansas Avenue, of the First society tomorrow at 2:30 o'clock. At 7:30 o'clock Mrs. Emma Hammon will lecture and give psychometric reading, or description of spirit friends.

German Evangelical church, Third and Hancock, Rev. G. Dietel will preach at 11 a. m.

Baptists (Dunkard) church, Oakland. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. morning by Elder Vaillant.

Second Presbyterian church, North Topeka. Preaching by the pastor, Dr. W. B. Archibald at 11 a. m., topic, "The Homeless Sot," and 7:30 p. m., topic, "Love Doak."

Spiritualism. Lillian L. Wood will lecture and give psychometric readings at Lincoln Post hall, 11 East Sixth street, at 7 o'clock tomorrow evening. Admission free. It is probable that a portion of the discourse will be devoted to the late C. Hubbard, former president of the First Society of Spiritualists of Topeka.

Church of the Good Shepherd, North Topeka, corner Quincy and Laurent, Rev. A. S. Embree, pastor of the First M. E. church, will deliver a sermon to the young people at the Kansas Avenue M. E. church tomorrow night.

It has been arranged for some member of the executive committee of the Shawnee County Sunday School association to visit all the Sunday schools in the city during next month.

Since the late freeze Soldier creek has been covered with skaters. A tire was hung on the bank last night and hundreds of young people enjoyed the popular pastime till late hour.

The old Adams house, which in years gone by was one of the best patronized houses in the city, has been given over to the rats. Joe Kellian is now the only tenant occupant of the part that was once a hospitable.

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Choice refined lard at 7c per pound; fat lard, warmed strictly pure at 12c per lb. at Ed Gaumer's meat market.

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